

February 10, 2016

CCRHD Capital Expenditure Contributions Approved

The Cariboo Chilcotin Regional Hospital District (CCRHD) endorsed a request from the Northern Health Authority requesting a capital expenditure contribution for the Quesnel Unit for Emergency Short Stay Treatment (QUESST) renovation program. The total cost of the renovation project is expected to be \$500,000 including a contribution from the CCRHD in the amount of \$200,000 or 40 per cent of total project costs.

Later in the meeting the CCRHD also approved a capital expenditure contribution from NH for and electrical switchgear replacement project at GR Baker Memorial Hospital. The total cost of this replacement project is approximately \$174,127 which includes a contribution of \$69,651 or 40 per cent of total cost from the CCRHD.

FLNRO Update

Harold Stolar, Resource Manager, Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations, appeared to provide an update on current Ministry projects in the region. The presentation focused on the Landscape Fire Management Planning Project, apportionment of the Williams Lake Timber Supply Area, Allowable Annual Cut partition and management, as well as the Fir Bark Beetle in the region.

Pool Project Continues to Make Progress

The Regional District Board of Directors agreed to amend a right-of-way agreement with the City of Williams Lake to allow for the major upgrade project construction of the Sam Ketcham Pool. The amendment will allow for expansion of the recreation centre within the right-of-way to allow the installation and maintenance of utility services. The right-of-way extends along the west and south edges of the existing Cariboo Memorial Recreation Complex property. Construction of the Sam Ketcham Pool Upgrade Project is scheduled to begin in March 2016. Watch the SKP Facebook page for regular updates at facebook.com/SamKetchamPool.

103 Mile Water System

The Cariboo Regional District Board adopted the 103 Mile Water System Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 4981. The CRD will now be authorized to execute the agreement with Saunders Enterprises Ltd. to enable the CRD to take over the operation of the waterworks system at the 103 Mile Subdivision.

North Cariboo Mutual Aid Fire Protection

The Cariboo Regional District endorsed amendments to the Memorandum of Understanding for Joint Service Delivery of Mutual Aid Fire Protection for the North Cariboo. The amended mutual aid agreement reflects the new levels of structural fire protection services as noted in the Office of the Fire Commissioner (OFC) Playbook. Under this

agreement, the Quesnel Fire Department may conduct interior fire operation if the following conditions are met:

- The Quesnel Fire Department has enough trained members on scene to carry out interior fire operations;
- Building is safe to enter; and
- To save human life.

All Cariboo Regional District volunteer fire departments will meet the minimum requirement of Exterior Level fire operations. Departments covered under this mutual aid agreement include the City of Quesnel and the CRD's West Fraser, Bouchie Lake, Ten Mile, Barlow Creek and Kersley volunteer fire departments. Further information about the CRD Protective Services can be found online at cariboord.ca.

Arena Replacement Contract and Budget

The Board endorsed recommendations from the North Cariboo Joint Planning Committee confirming Vic Van Isle Construction as the general contractor to enter final contract negotiations for construction of the West Fraser Centre in Quesnel and that the project budget was revised to be up to \$20.6 million.

NCLGA News

The Board of Directors endorsed a resolution to submit two resolutions to the 2016 NCLGA conference. The first resolution calls for the Association to lobby senior levels of government to establish a regulatory and enforcement system to ensure that marijuana grow industry waste is disposed of appropriately and will not pollute water systems. The second resolution addresses the provincial responsibility for the treatment of invasive plant species and looks to the NCLGA and the Union of BC Municipalities to lobby the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure to provide sufficient funding for the management of invasive plant species that will meet regional strategic management goals.

Support for Interlakes Economic Association

The CRD Board received the Interlakes Economic Association Cooperative Marketing Partnerships Program grant application, which was submitted to Destination British Columbia. The Board approved a request to support the application with \$2,500 in grant funding; with \$1,250 being allocated from the South Cariboo Economic Development Function budget and \$1,250 being drawn from Northern Development Initiative Trust collaborative program funds.

Next Board Meeting

CCRHD & CRD Boards – February 26, 2016